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AS GUARDIAN OF THE FLOATING ISLAND, KNUCKLES HAS EVER SOUGHT TO PRESERVE THE UTOPIA-LIKE ENVIRONMENT FOR ITS INHABITANTS. EVER WATCHFUL OF DANGER USUALLY FROM FORCES ORIGINATING FROM MOBIUS PROPER, HE NEVER DREAMED HIS GREATEST THREAT WOULD ONE DAY COME FROM HIS OWN KIND.

HAVING NEVER PREVIOUSLY INTERACTED WITH ANY OTHER ECHIDNA SAVE HIS FATHER, KNUCKLES, FOR THE FIRST TIME, FINDS HIMSELF QUESTIONING THE LESSONS HE HAS LEARNED, AND THEIR RELEVANCY TO THE PREDICAMENT HE NOW FINDS HIMSELF IN. AT THIS PIVOTAL LIFE POINT, HE MUST DECIDE WHETHER TO SIDE WITH HIS OWN KIND IN THE RELIEF THEY MAY BE RIGHT, OR TO OPPOSE THEM OUT OF SIMPLE FAITH IN WHAT HE HAS BEEN TAUGHT BY HIS PARENT.

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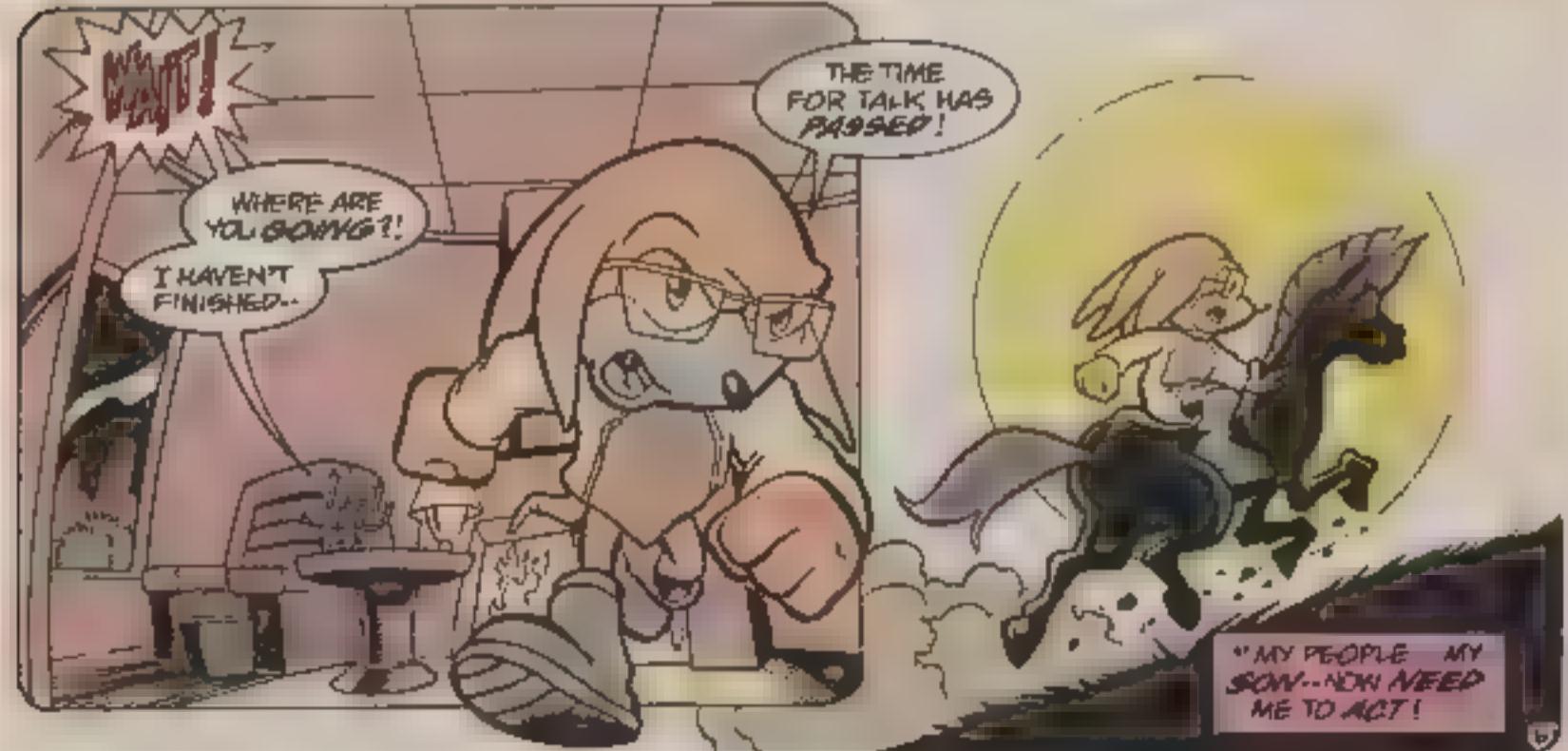
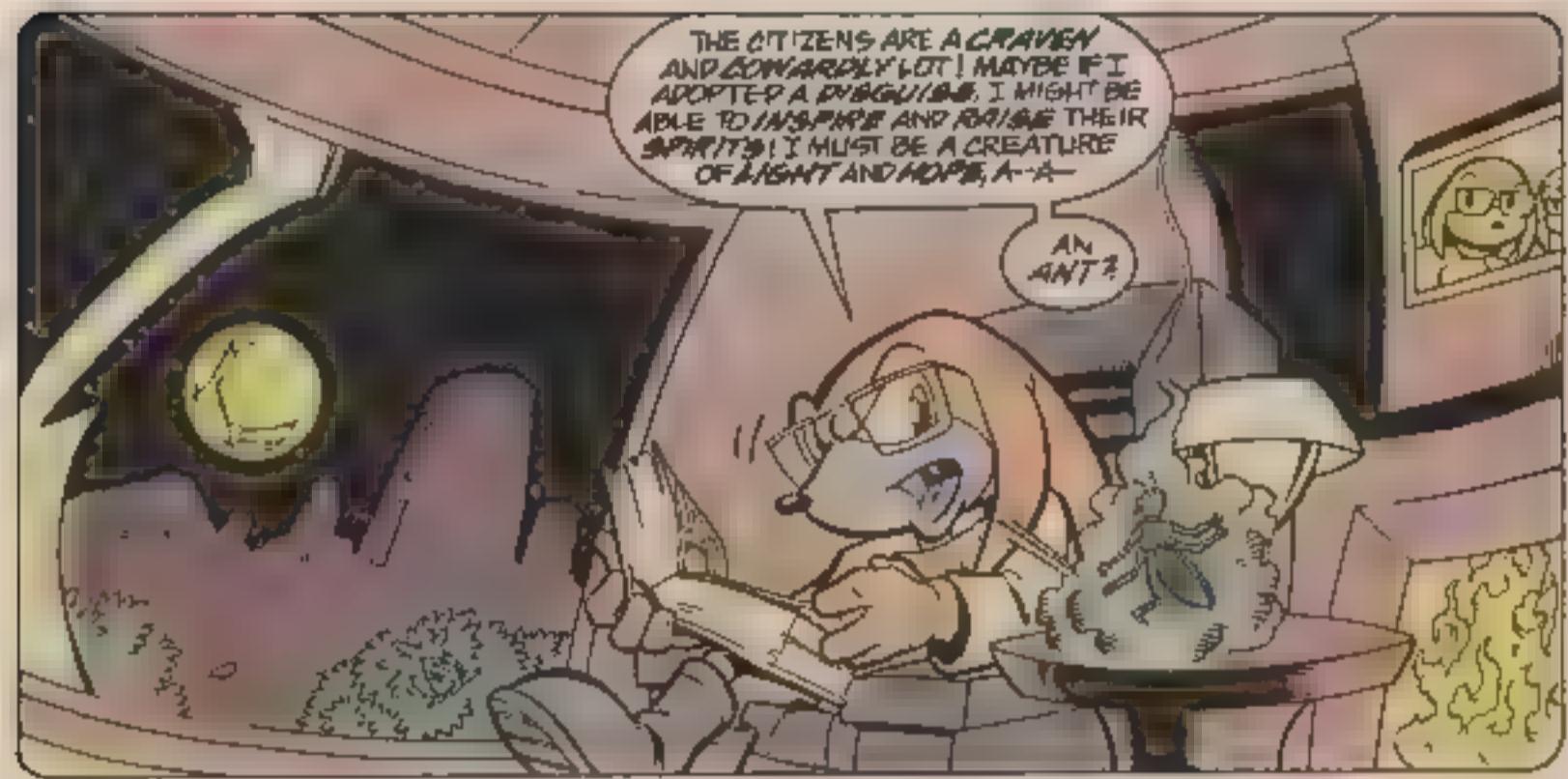
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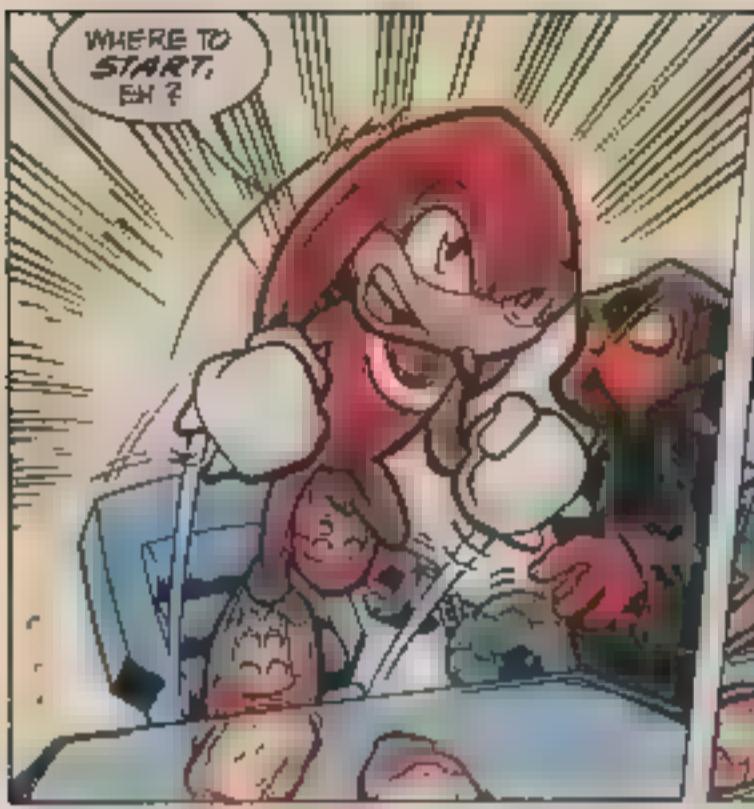
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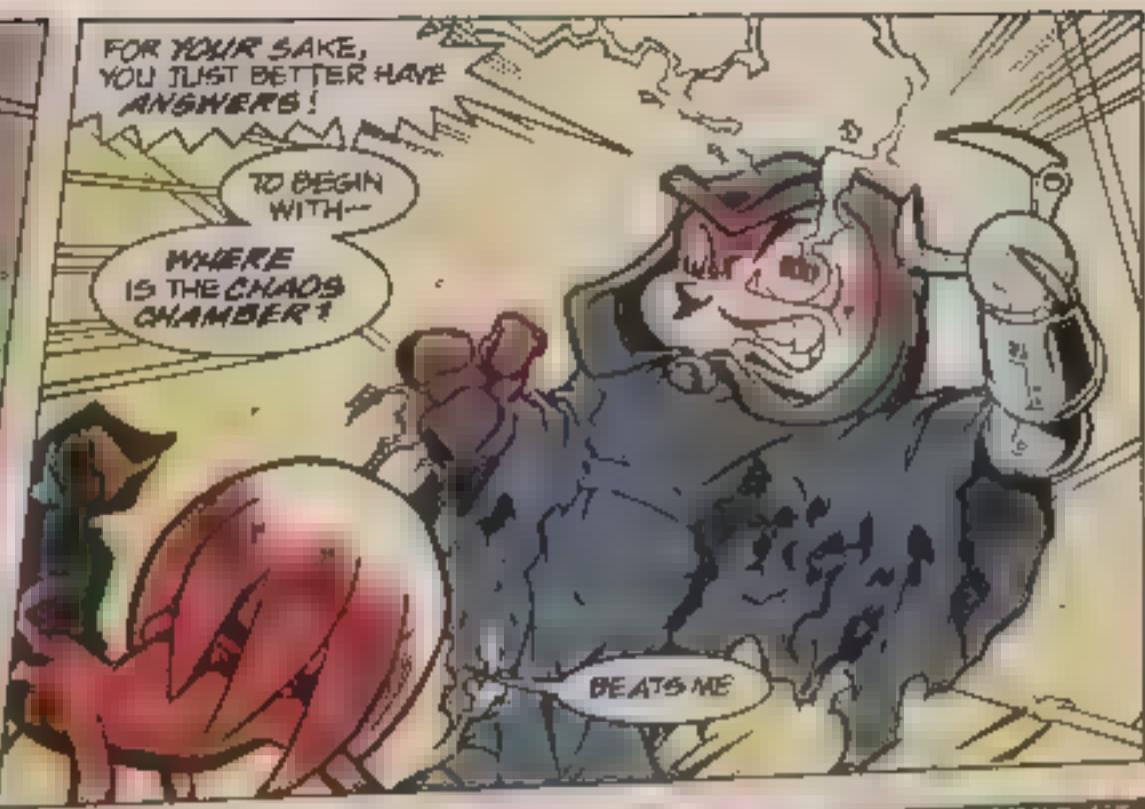
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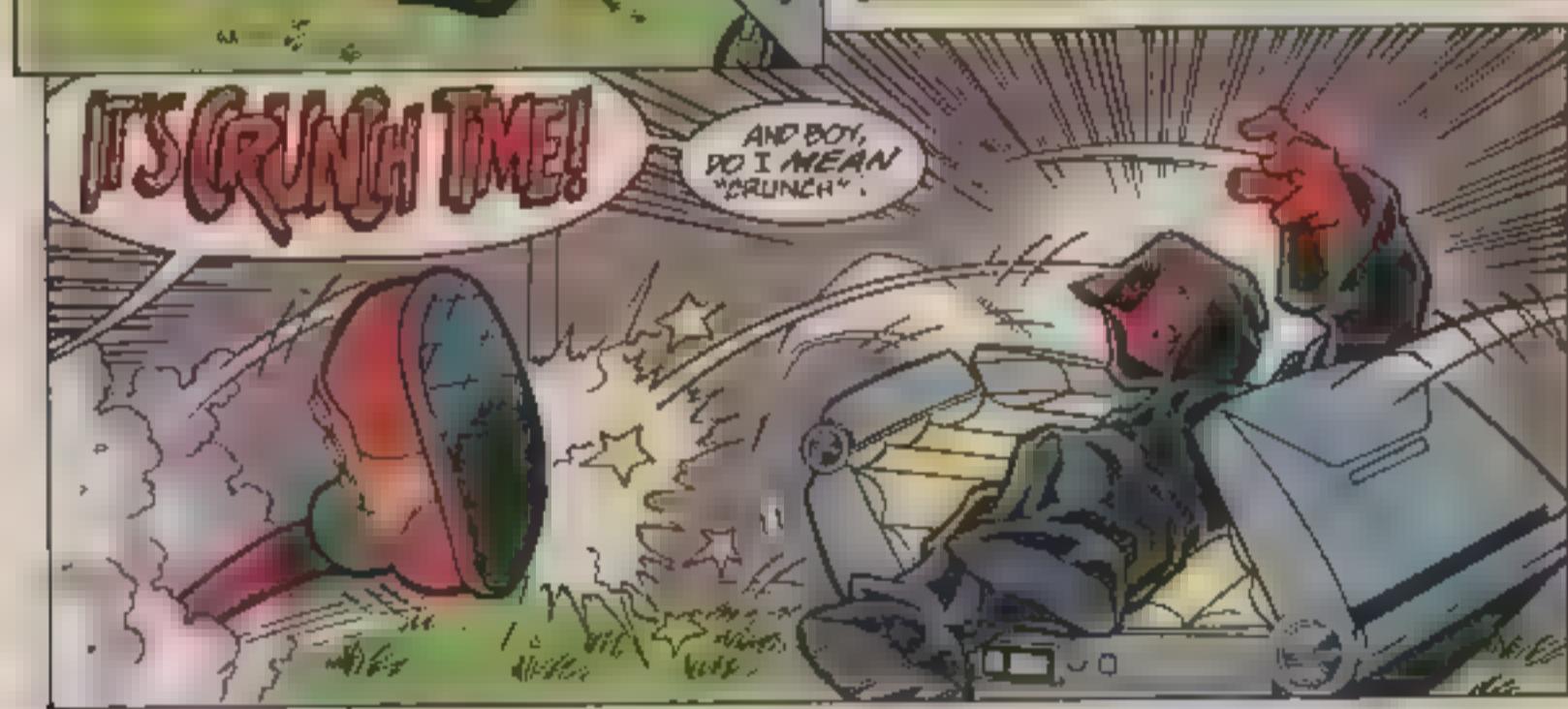
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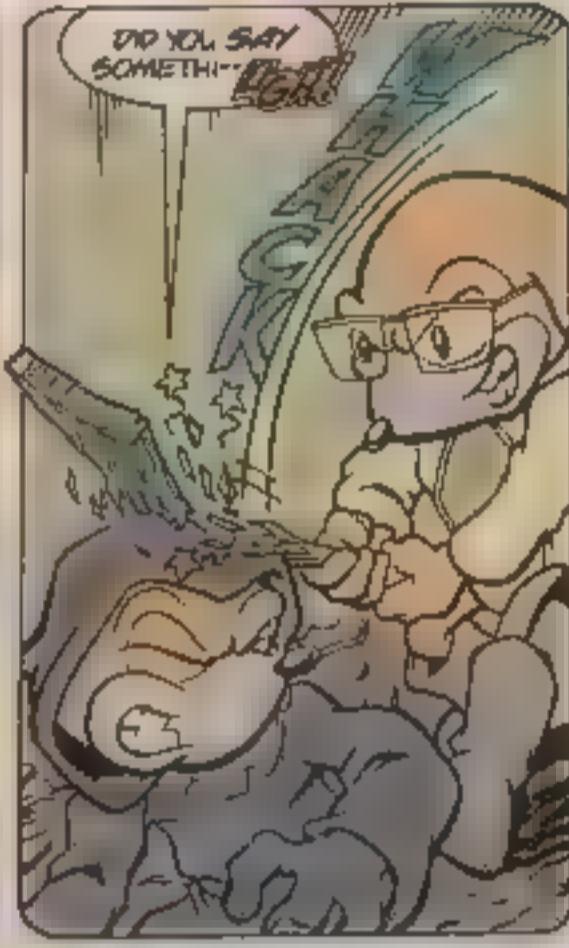










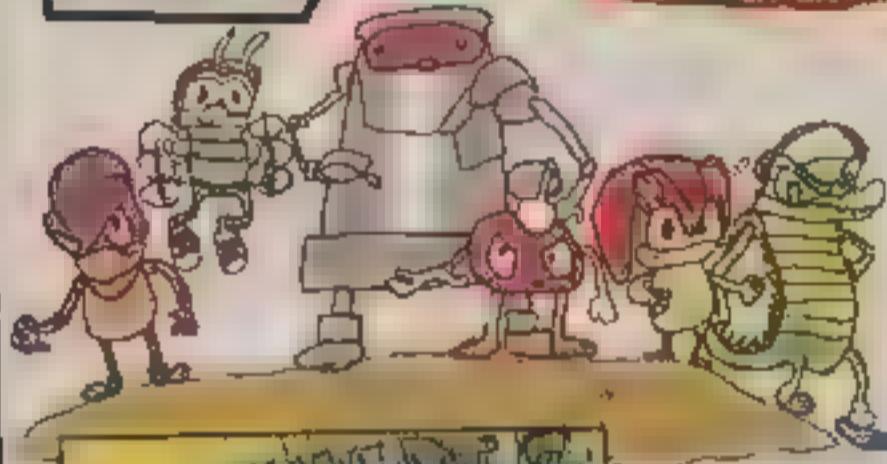


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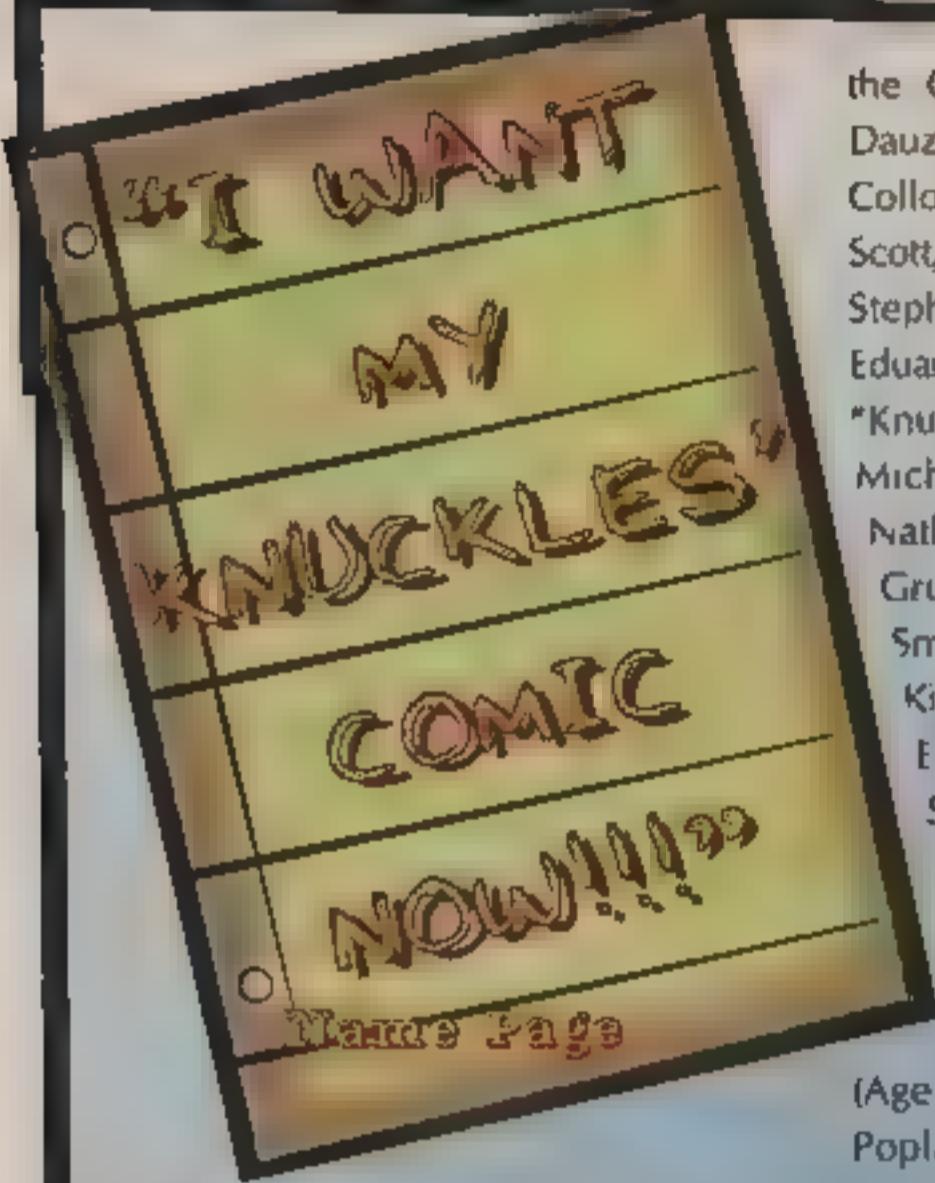


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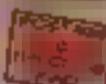
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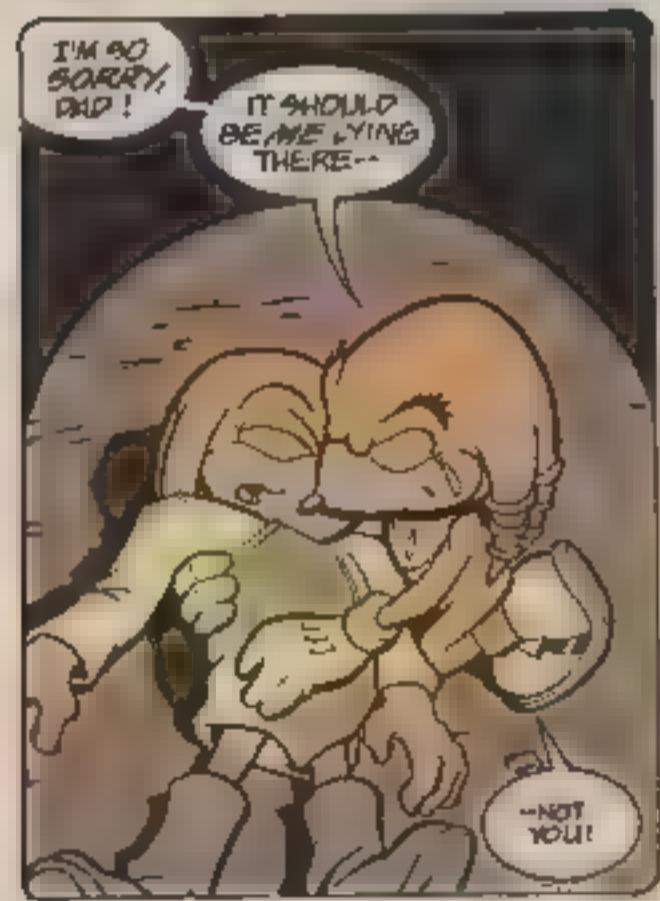
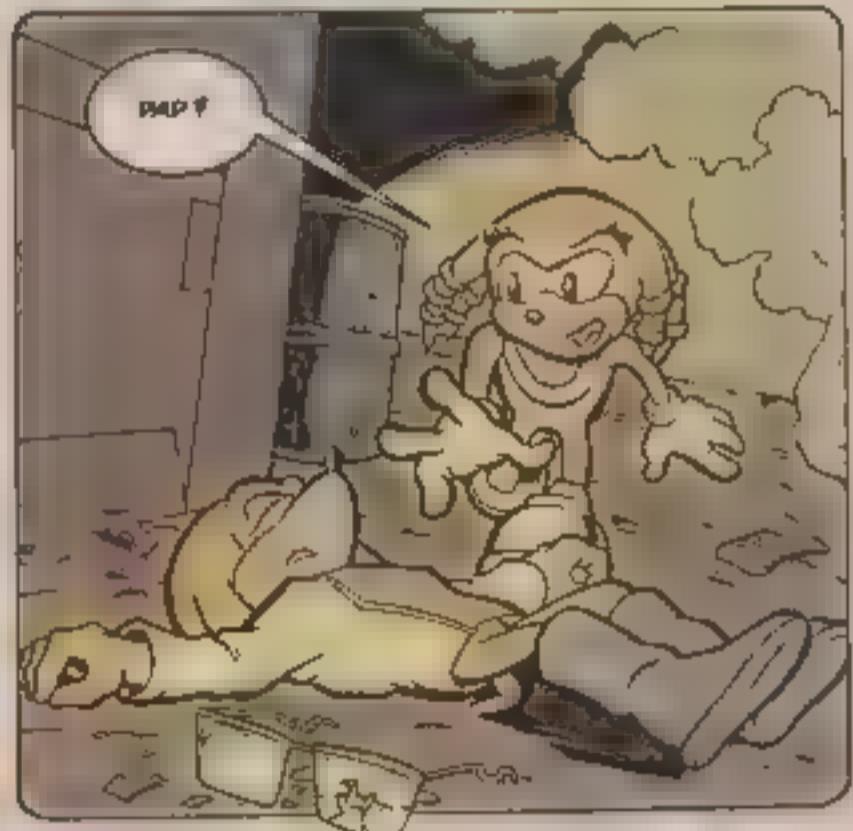
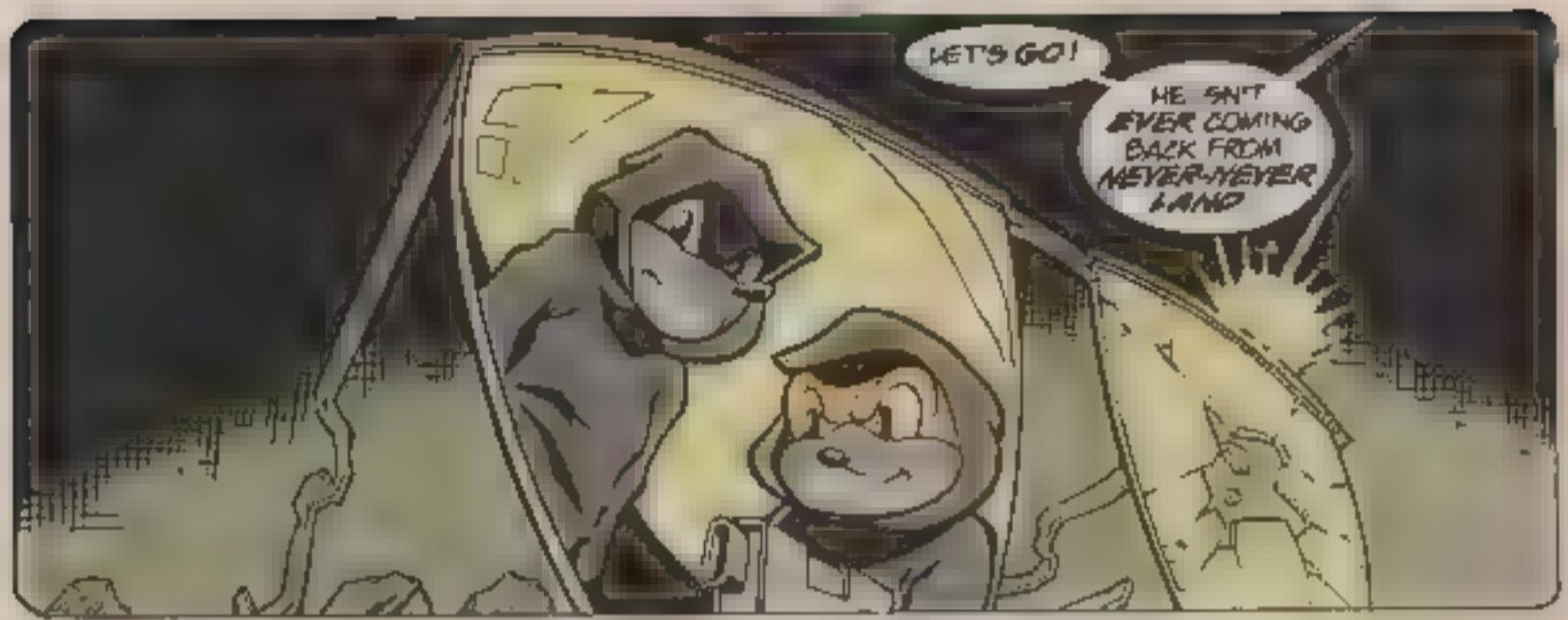
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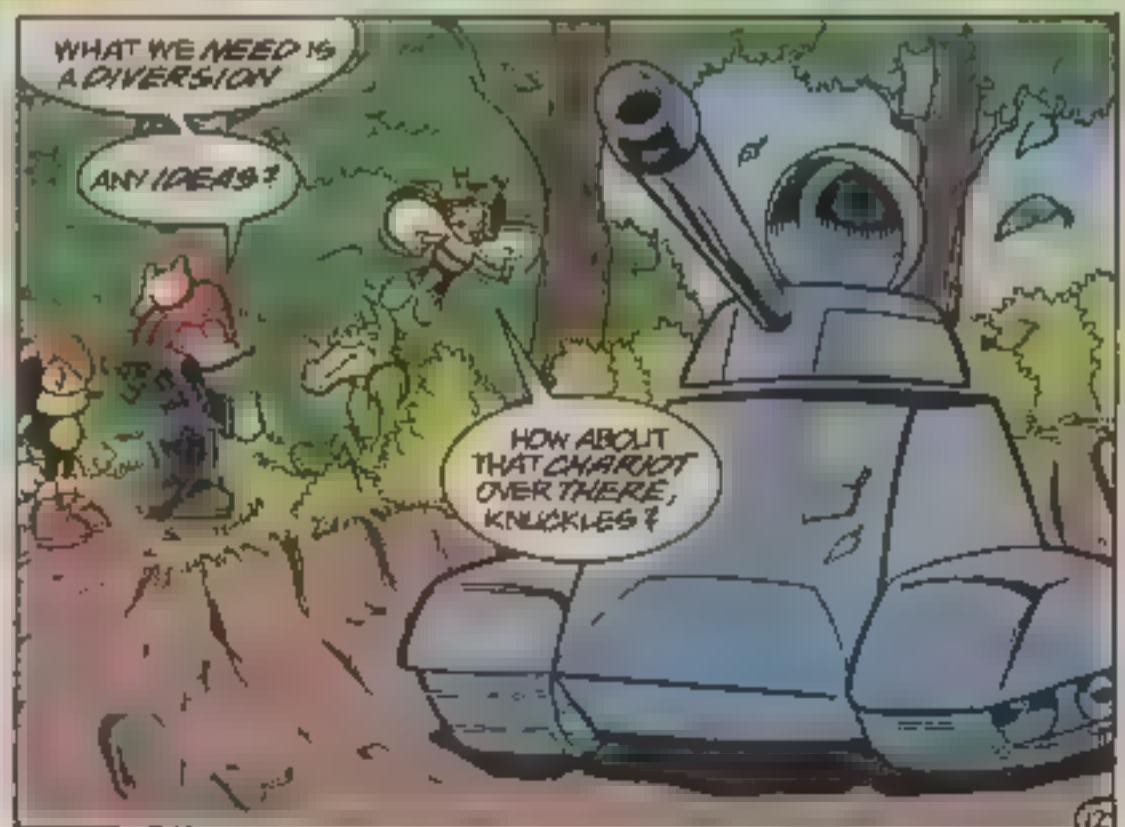
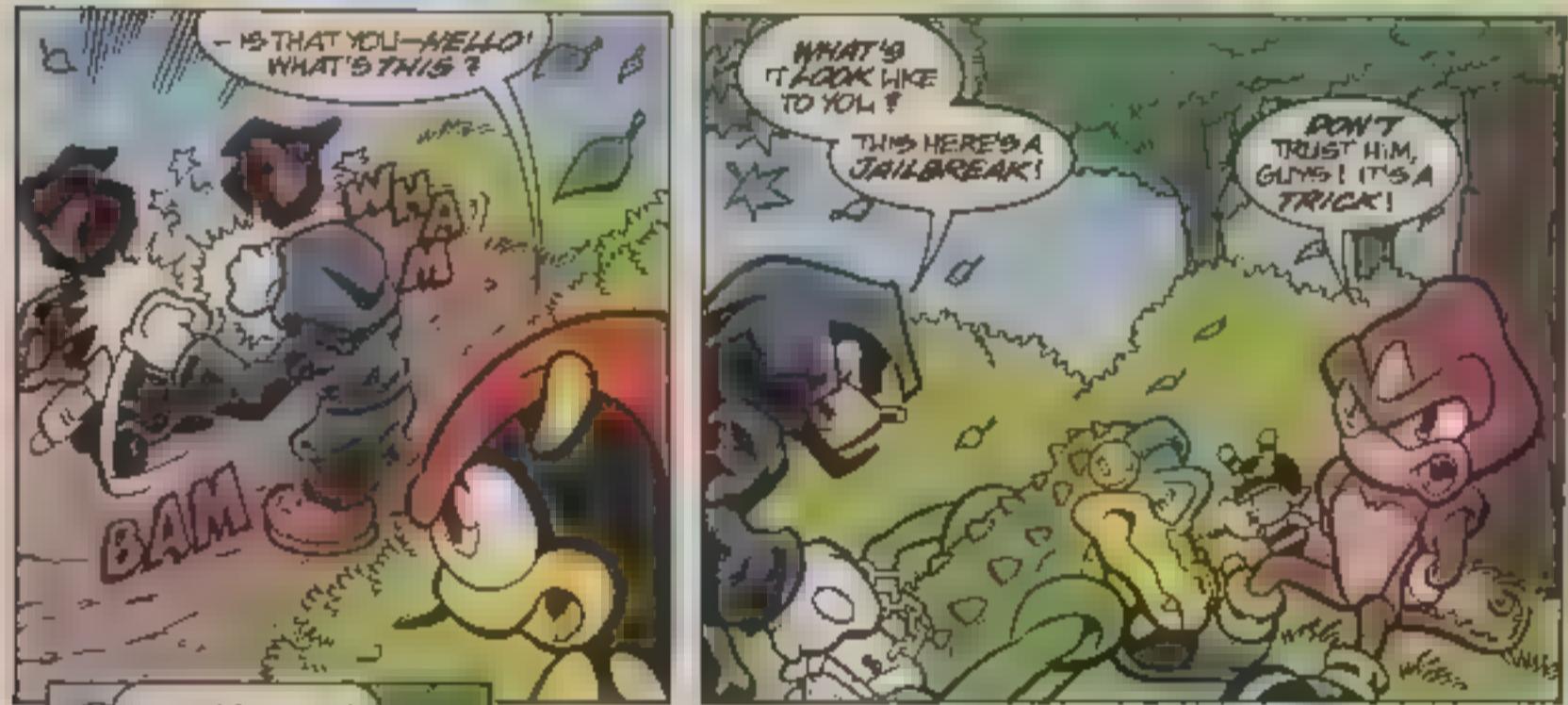
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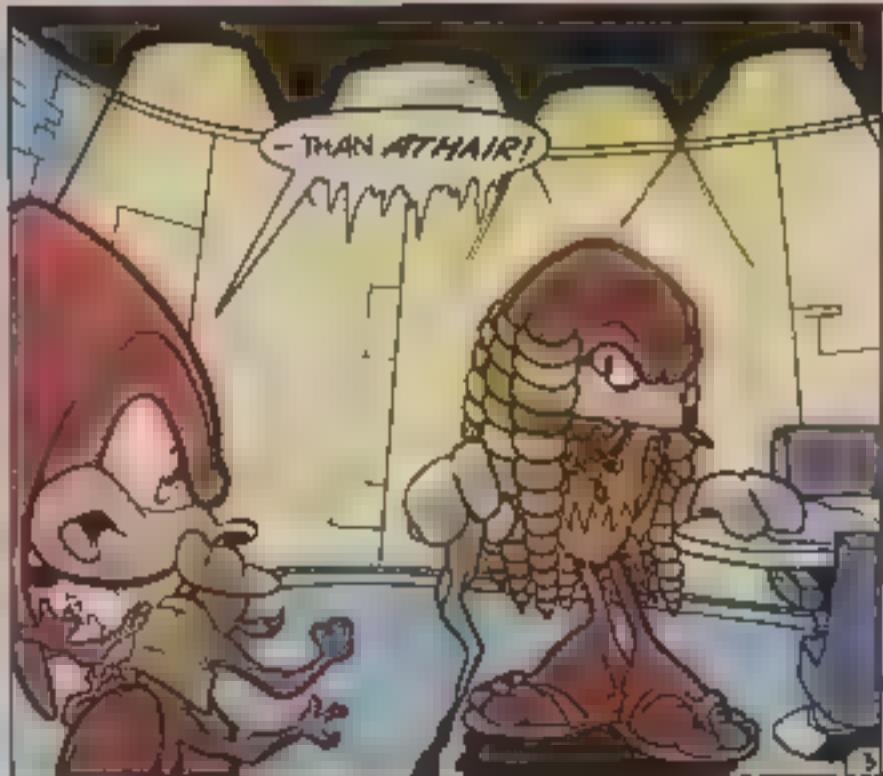
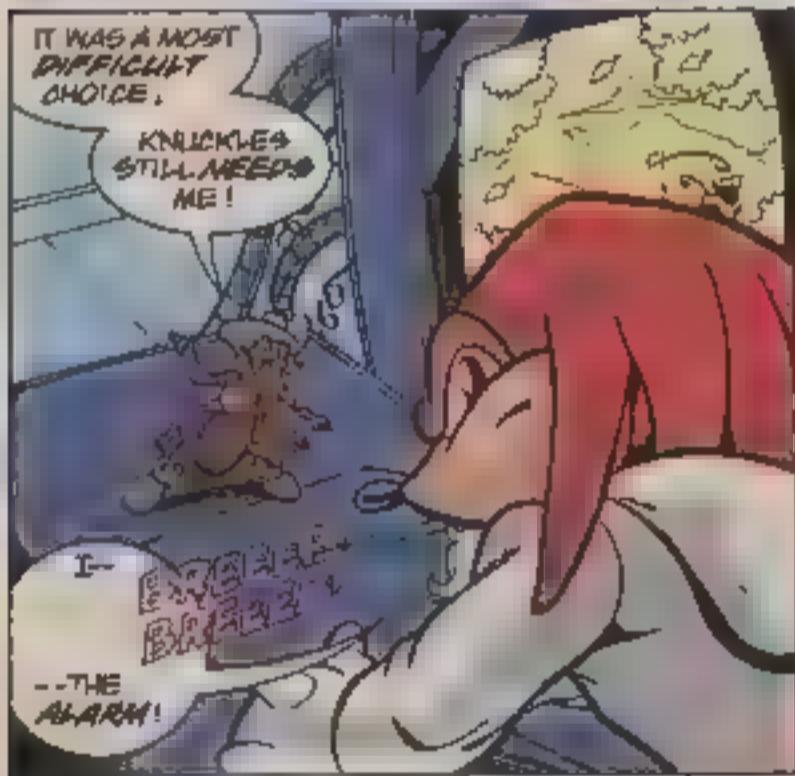
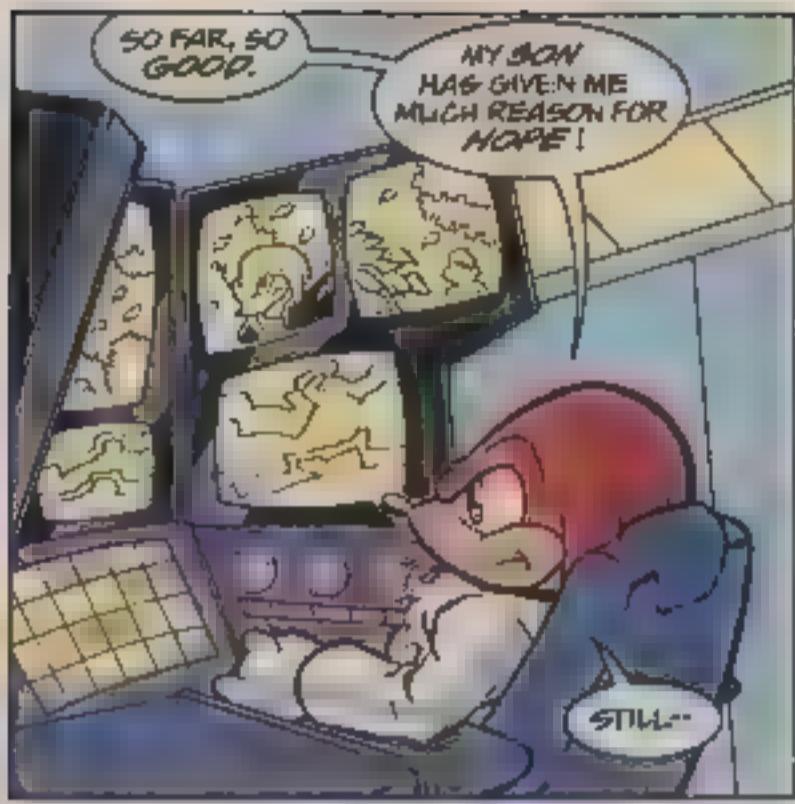
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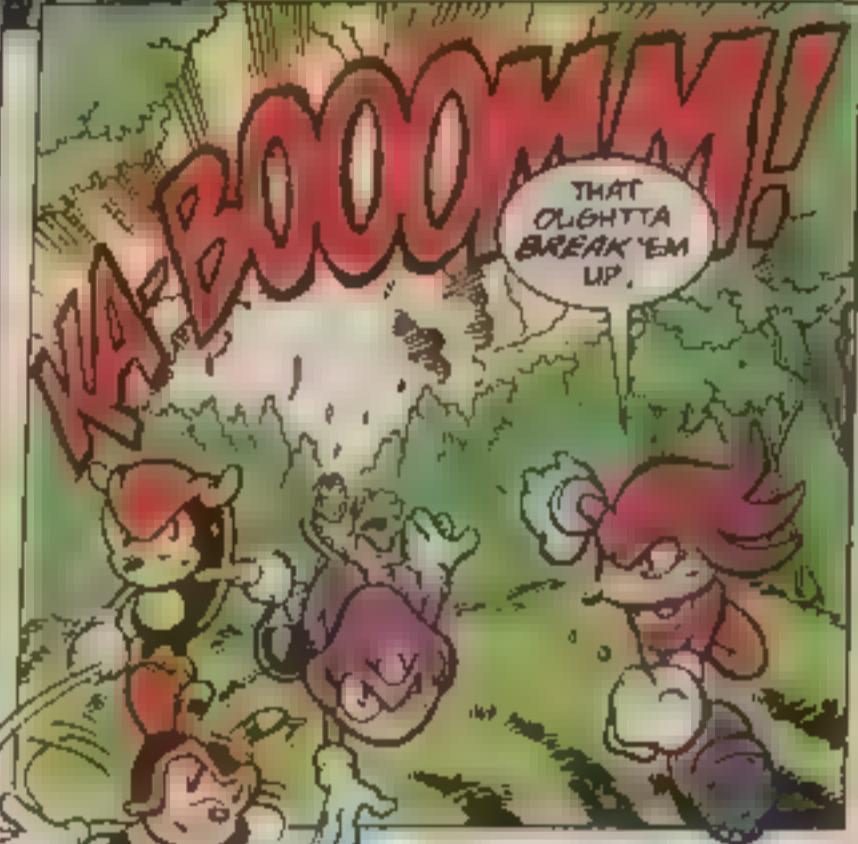
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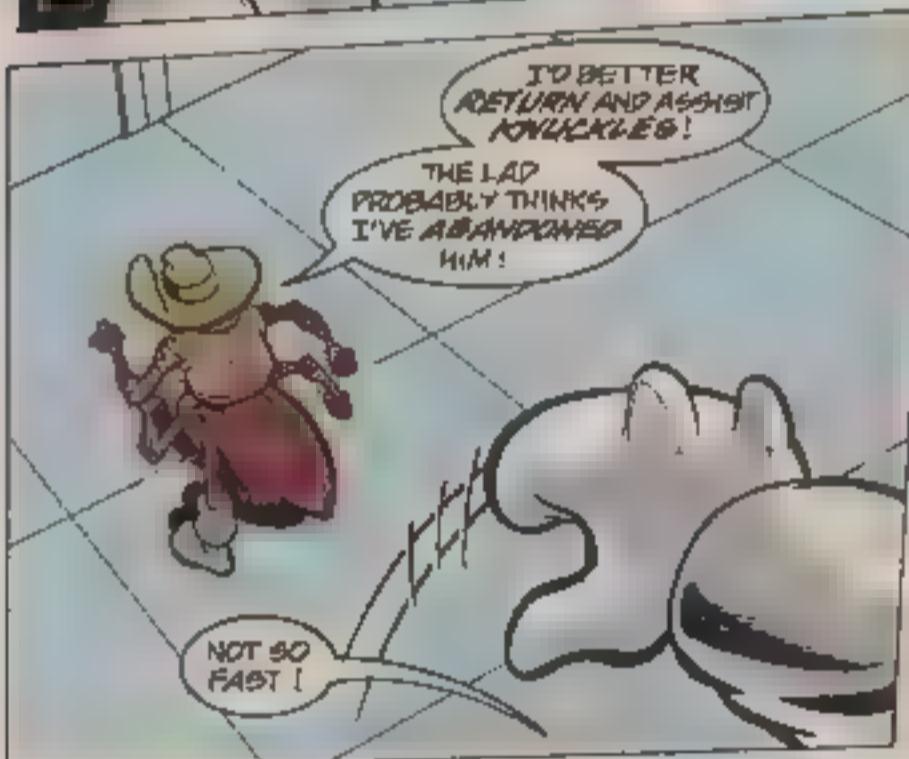
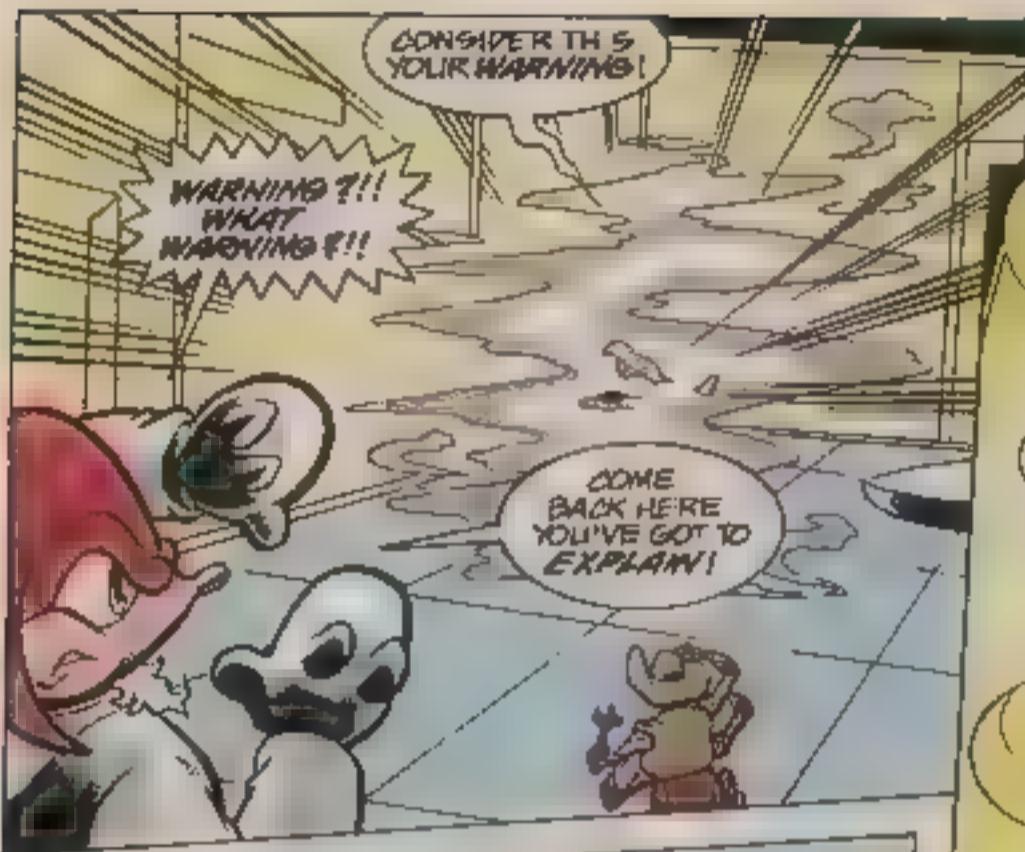












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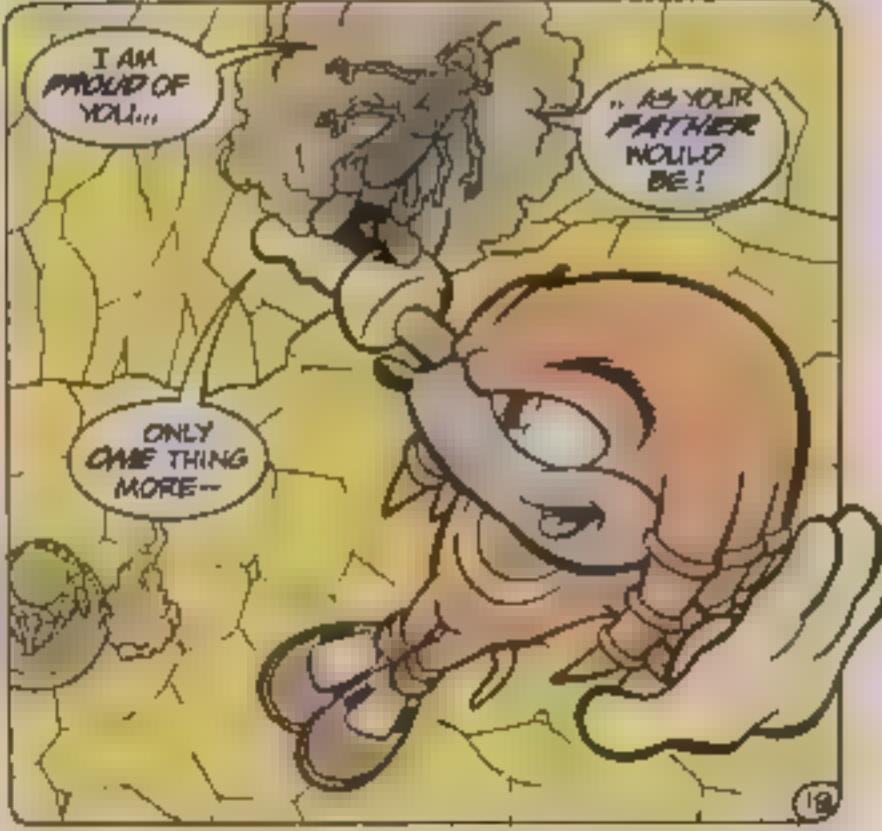
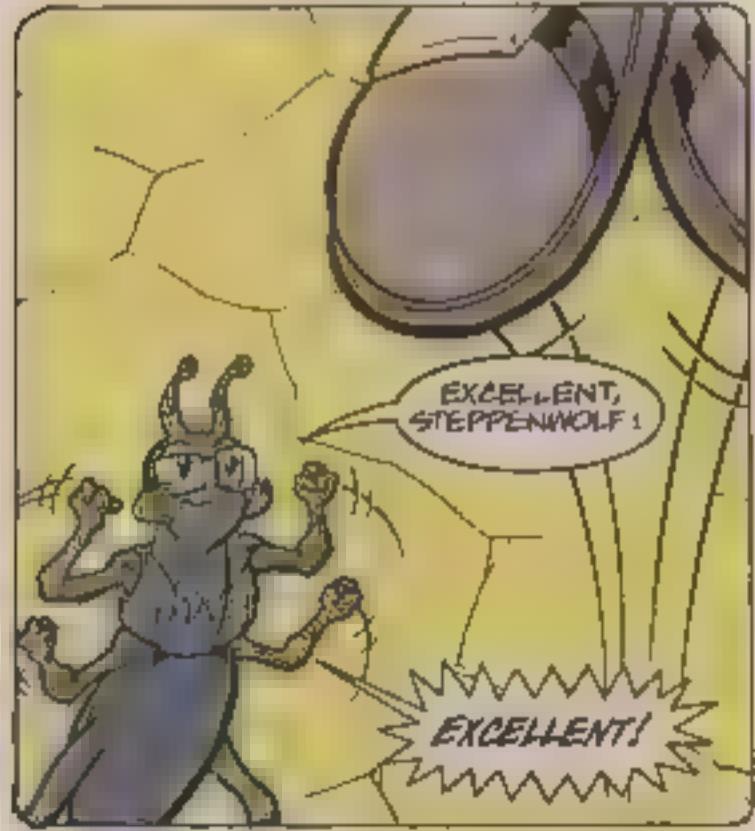
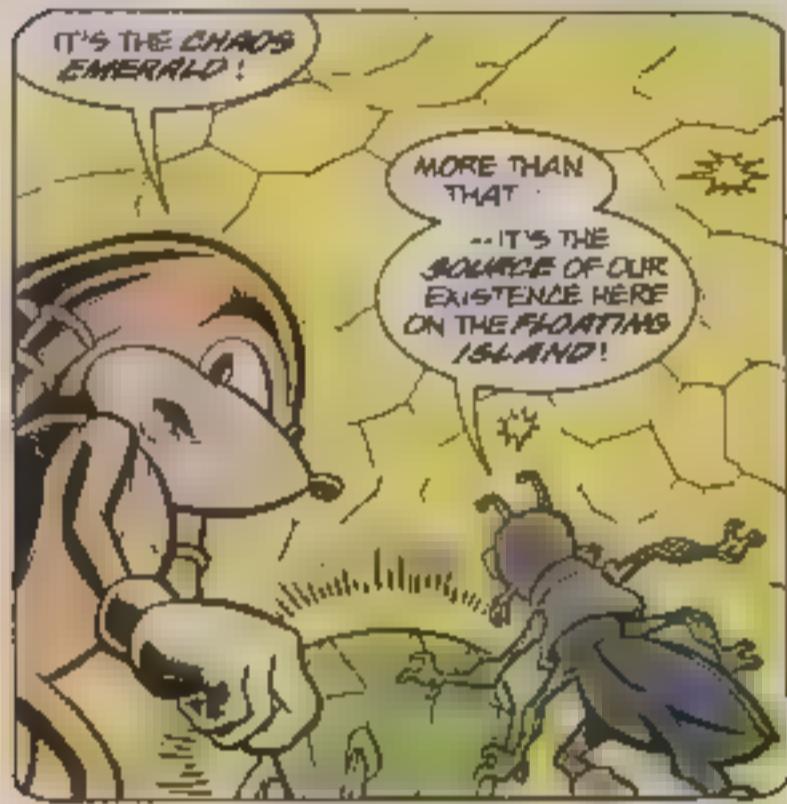
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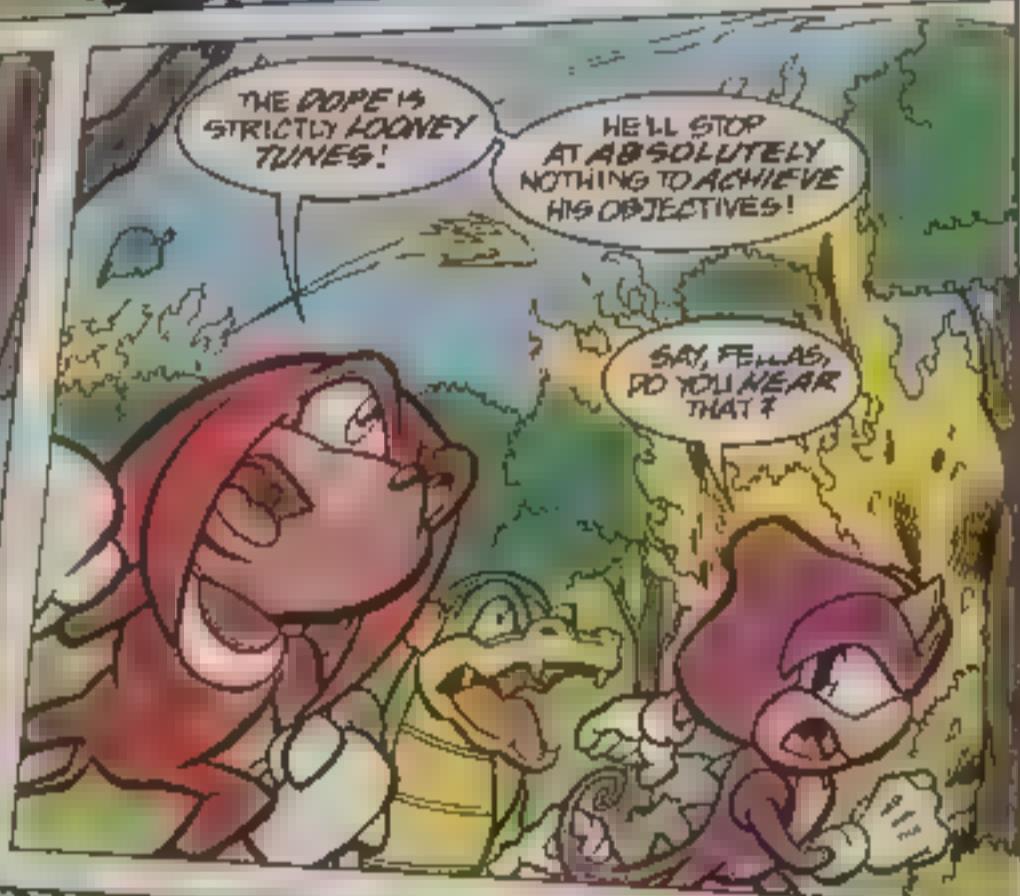
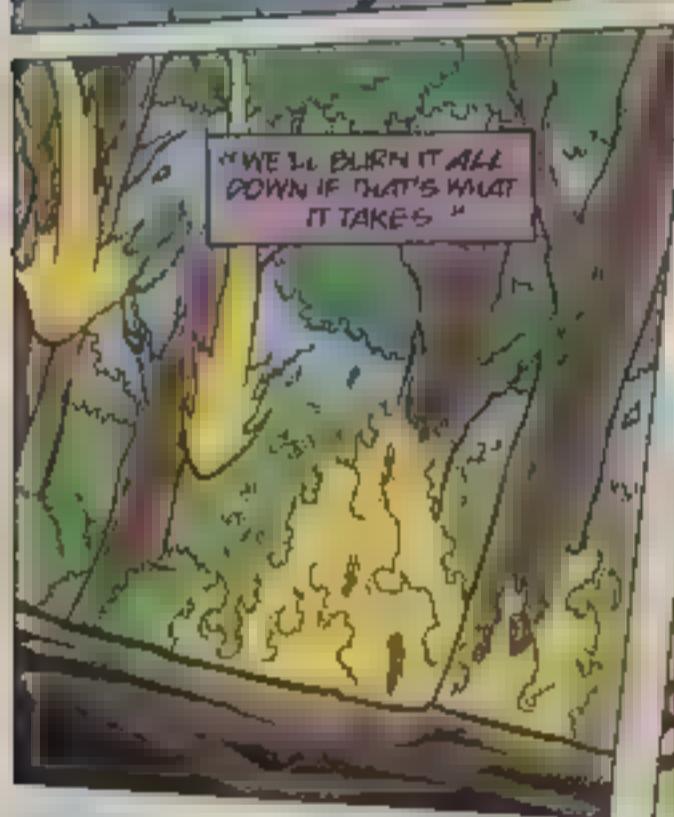
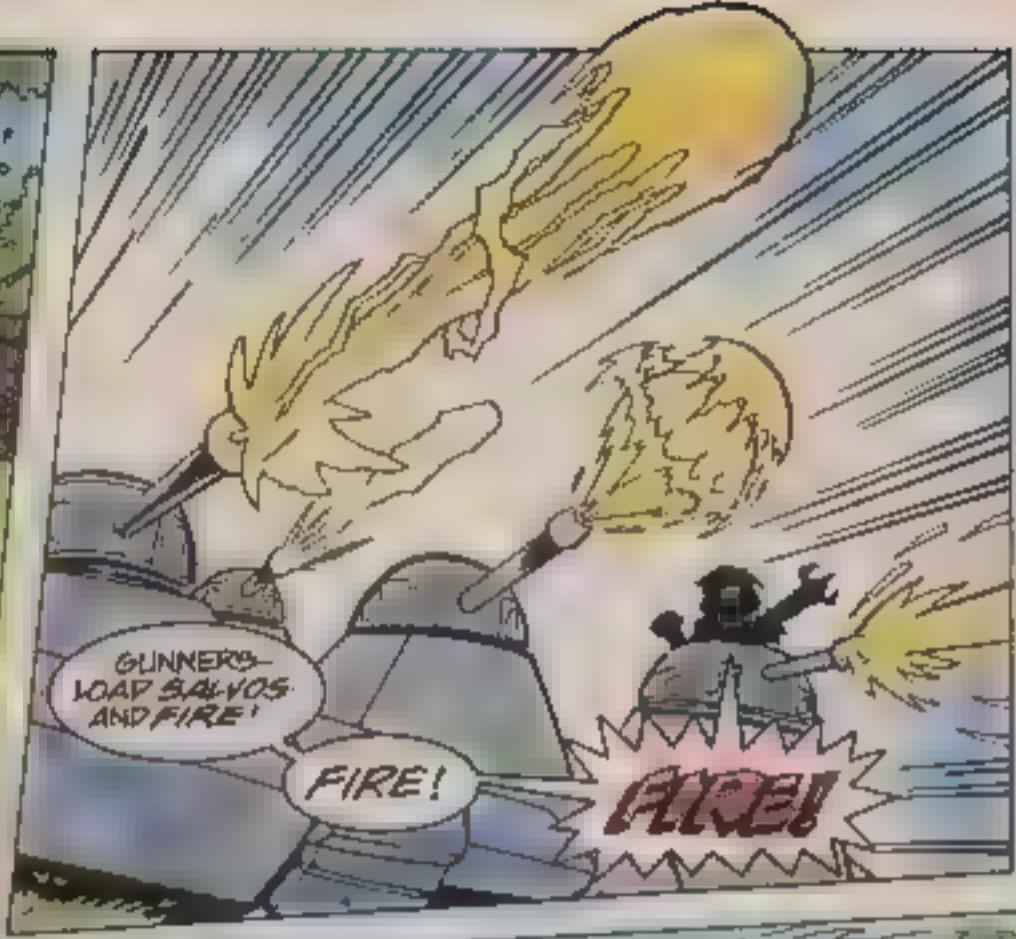
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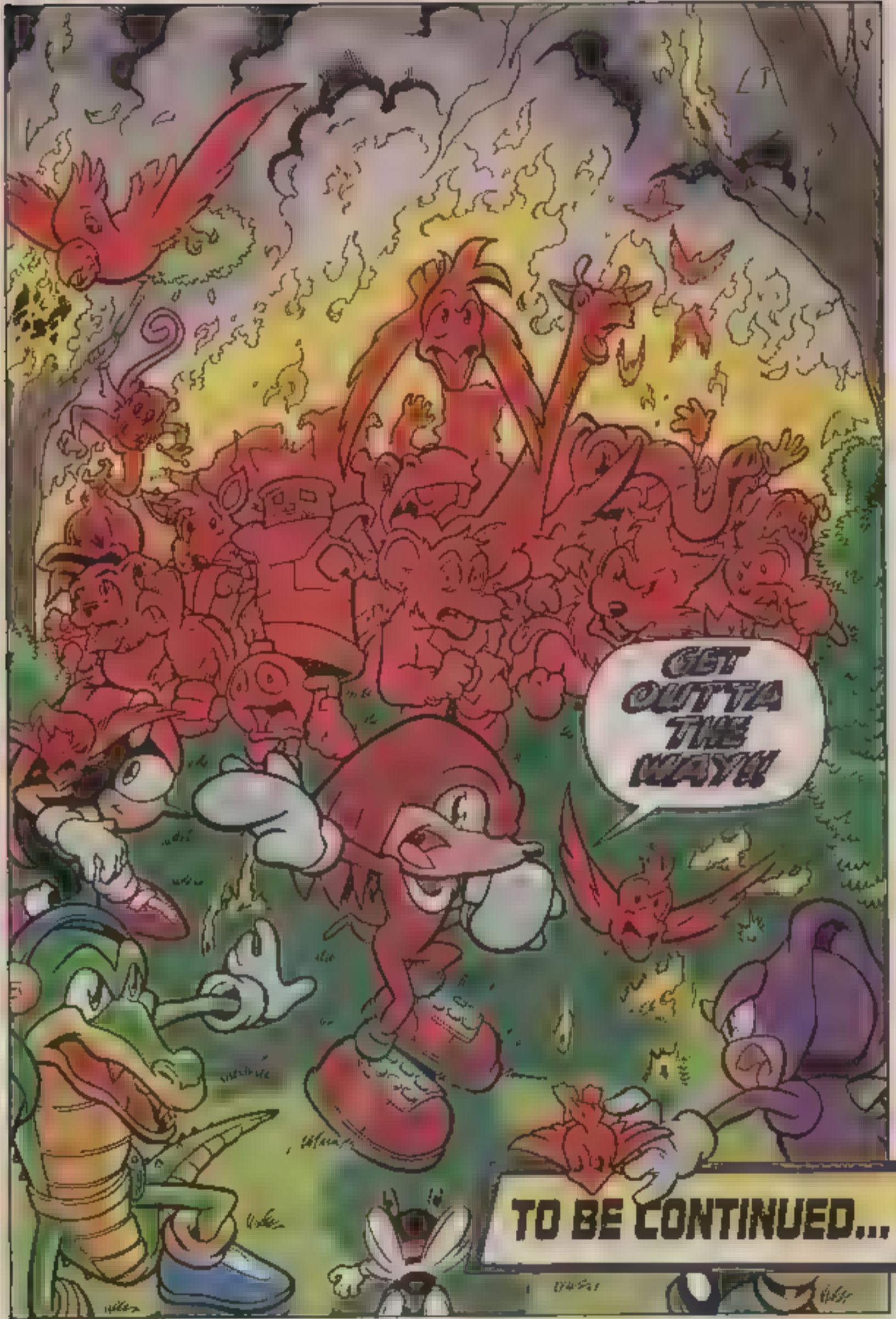
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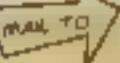
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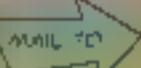
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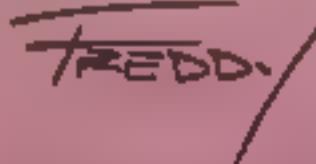
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Now have now read the second issue of Knuckles' second mini-series. As you can see, things are just starting to get WARMED UP!! The Dark Legion will stop at nothing to get what they want! The exciting conclusion next month!

Even as I write this, SONIC & KNUCKLES THE DARK LEGION #1 is now going through the final stages of printing. I can't wait for it to get into your hands. I've been going through your mail and the response for Knuckles has been so overwhelming. It does my heart good to know that Knuckles can enjoy the same kind of support that our little blue hedgehog is already used to getting. Thanks, guys and gals!

In other echidna news, the final installment of "Knuckles' Quest" for King Acorn's sword is in SONIC #46, on sale now! Then look out for "SONIC VS. KNUCKLES: BATTLE ROYAL!" Sonic and the Freedom Fighters go up against—Knuckles and The Chaotix!?! But why? The answer will have 'mammoth' surprises! This 48-page Special is due out in May '97! It will feature the writing talents of Kent Taylor and Ken Penders along with penciling new-comer Sam Maxwell! His stylistic impressions of our favorite characters will dazzle your eyes. Trust me.

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J. FREDY GABRIELE

Dear Knuckles,

I WANT MY KNUCKLES COMIC NOW! I think you have the best, super-red comics in the world. I think they are great. I hope you come out with another mini-series. I

Thanks Ryan. Talk about straight and to the point. You definitely don't mince words. Just the way I like it. Anyway, your wish is my command. How do you like the new mini-series so far? As far as your comment, please let me tell Sonic what you just said. It would make my day! Heh, heh.

Dear Knuckles,

I think you are cooler than Super Sonic when you become Hyper Knuckles! I think I know where to find the emeralds in the SONIC & KNUCKLES game: 1) Go to a colorful big ring; 2) Jump in it; 3) Then you're in the Hidden Zone where you try to get all seven emeralds to become Hyper Knuckles. Is the "SUPER SONIC VS. HYPER KNUCKLES Special #1" the last we see of Hyper Knuckles?

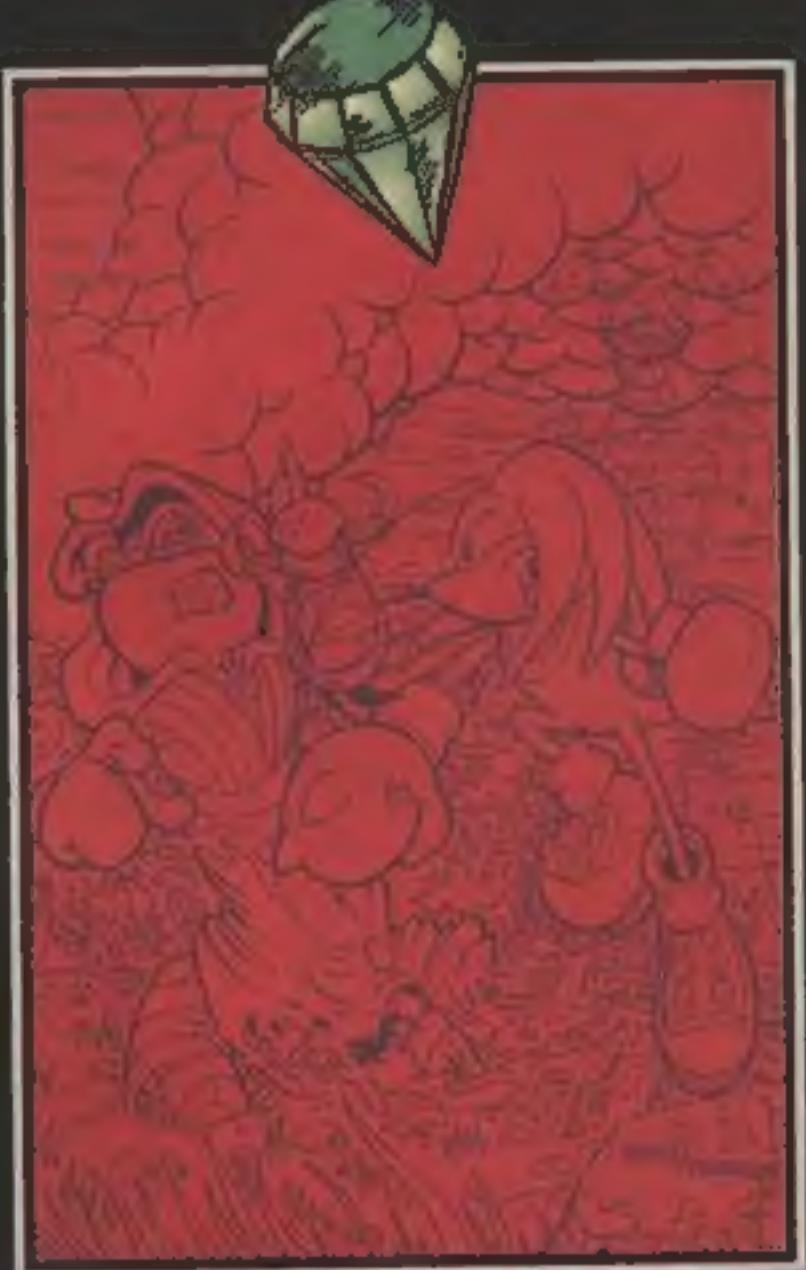
Alphy Orozco
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I have to tell you, Alphy, being Hyper Knuckles was really strange. After that experience, I started to wonder if that's how my ancestral uncle, Dimitri, felt when he fused with the power of 11 emeralds into his body to become Enerjak. If I ever become Hyper Knuckles again, I hope never to get greedy with power or I'll become just like him!

Dear Knuckles,

I am your number one fan. I have all three issues of your mini-series. I especially like issue #3 the best. Now I have some questions: 1) Do you play video games? 2) Are there any new Sonic video games coming out? 3) Do you like Tails? I have the Sonic & Knuckles game. I always like to play you because I only reach the Lava Reef Zone with Sonic. I beat the game with you. John-Michael Berger (Age 8)
Houston, TX

How's it going, J.M.? As far as your questions, I have answers: 1) No. Who has the time to play when I'm constantly defending this island. Vector, on the other hand... 2) As you probably already know "Sonic 3-D Blast" has made its debut. Check it out! It's "Da' Bomb!" 3) Tails...? Oh, you mean the kid that hangs with Sonic. Yeah, sure I do—but he does get a little annoying at times. In SONIC #42 Tails and I went to see The Ancient Walkers and he wouldn't shut up. Anyway, that's it for this month. See you in thirty days, gang!



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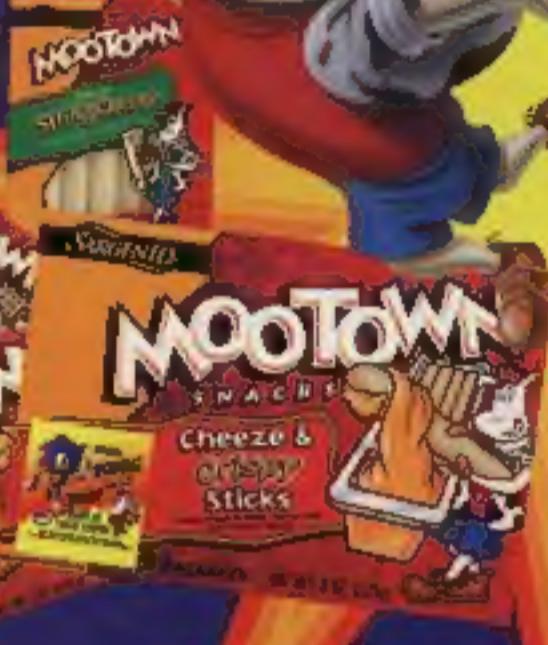
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